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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) is a(n): ☒ Utility () Design
(X) original patent application,
() continuation-in-part application

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TITLE: SAMPLE PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHODS

Enclosed are:

- (X) The Declaration and Power of Attorney. (X) signed () unsigned or partially signed
(X) 20 sheets of drawings (one set) () Associate Power of Attorney
() Form PTO-1449 (X) Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449
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